4th Sunday of Advent
December 22, 2019

Isaiah 7:10-14
Psalm 24:1-2, 3-4, 5-6
Romans 1:1-7
Matthew 1:18-24

“And they shall name him Emmanuel.”

St. Dominic’s is a Catholic Parish Inspired by Dominican Spirituality Igniting the Faith for the Salvation of Souls

Mass Intentions

Sun 12/22
7:30 am (D) Carmel Ferrer
9:00 am (T) People of the Parish
10:45 am (T) The Cortez Family
12:30 pm (D) Teresita Ledesma
5:00 pm (D) William Woods

Mon 12/23
6:45 am (B) Lootsee Lutsan
8:15 am (D) Harry Shoup

Tues 12/24
Merry

Wed 12/25
Christmas

Thurs 12/26
6:45 am (D) Carmel F Mier
8:15 am (D) Sandi Young

Fri 12/27
6:45 am (D) Dorothy Harty
8:15 am (T) Joji & Clint Holzwarth

Sat 12/28
8:15 am (D) Victorina de Joya
5:00 pm (D) Doris Seitz

Sun 12/29
7:30 am (T) Terry Segelke & Family
9:00 am (D) Jose & Leovigilda Callao
10:45 am (T) People of the Parish
12:30 pm (D) Apolonia de Joya
5:00 pm (D) Rolando de Joya

Legend: (D) Deceased (H) Health (A) Anniversary (B) Birthday (T) Thanksgiving

Mass Intentions for February Open January 2nd

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Pastor's Corner

Joseph, the Man of Dreams

In the New Testament, only the Gospel of Matthew explicitly presents dreams as a means of revelation. Matthew relates six instances of divine communications in dreams, five of which are in the infancy narrative, one to the magi and the other four to Joseph. Of these five revelations, two are reported in the same abbreviated form “being warned in a dream” (Mt 2:12,22), while the other three (Mt 1:20-25; 2:13-14,19-21) are described according to an artificial pattern with the following elements:

1) an introductory description of the situation;
2) with very minor variations, the phrase “Behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream, saying;”
3) the message of the angel, containing a command with a form of the same Greek verb for “take,” and a reason for the command;
4) faith response of obedient execution of the command;
5) a Scripture citation containing a form of the same Greek verb for “call” and a title of Jesus.

These three stereotyped formulas and one of the abbreviated forms all center around Joseph and regard, respectively: 1) taking Mary as wife and naming the child “Jesus;” 2) fleeing to Egypt to rescue the child and his mother; 3) returning from Egypt to Israel with the child and his mother; 4) withdrawing to Galilee and establishing residence in Nazareth. Joseph’s cooperation with these divine revelations is in accord with the cited fulfillment of prophecies (the last two dreams being two stages of a single fulfillment) involving the child’s titles of “Jesus” (Mt 1:25), “Son [of God]” (Mt 2:15), and “Nazarene” (Mt 2:23). The geographical movement from Bethlehem to Egypt to Nazareth of Galilee is also accomplished in response to dreams (Mt 2:13,20,22) and shown to fulfill prophecies (Mt 2:6,15,23).


Upcoming Events

Advent Series
Mondays, December 2nd-23rd, 9:00 am
Ministry Center Siena Room

Parish Office CLOSED
Tuesday, December 24th

Wednesday, December 25th

Wednesday, January 1st

Christmas Mass Schedule
Christmas Eve (Vigil) Mass Times
Tuesday, December 24th
4:00 pm ~ Church and Parish Hall
7:00 pm ~ Church
9:00 pm ~ Church (Vietnamese)

Midnight Mass
12:00 am Preceded by Carols at 11:30 pm
Church

Christmas Day Mass Times
Wednesday, December 25th
8:00 am ~ Church
10:00 am ~ Church
12:00 pm ~ Church (Bilingual)

New Year's Eve (Vigil) Mass
Tuesday, December 31st
7:00 pm and 11:00 pm
Church

New Year's Eve Reception
Following the 11:00 pm Mass
Parish Hall

New Year’s Day Mass
Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God
Wednesday, January 1st
8:15 am and 11:00 am
Church

St. Dominic's Cemetery Mass
Saturday, January 4th at 9:30 am
St. Dominic’s Cemetery ~ Hayes Pavilion

Parish Financial Report
7/1/2019-11/30/2019

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Calling All Volunteers…

Church decorating will take place tomorrow, Monday December 23rd at 9:00 am in the Church and Parish Hall.

Many hands are needed to help prepare for Christmas!
PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday       Closed
Tuesday-Friday 9:00 am - 4:00 pm
Closed for lunch (T-F) 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm
Saturday     Closed
Sunday       8:30 am - 1:00 pm

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Deacon John Flanagan  Retired

ST. DOMINIC’S SCHOOL

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Tanya Sanchez (Pre-School)  tsanchez@sdbenicia.org

Please pray for the recovery of the sick listed in our Book of Intentions and the following:

Dana Joy  Patricia Butler
Lydia Leveriza  Sharon Fischer
Max Capurro  Albert Horvath
Alice Louie  Bill Telepak
George Louie  Tim Wade
Anthony Sylvester  Arleen Saitz
Gladys Haddad  Bessie Sharp
Gretchen Watt  Jane Gasper
Barbara Piepho

Please remember the following recently deceased (and their families) in your prayers:

Jin Chul Kim, Jose Maria Miramontes,
Michael Powell, Andrew Koper, Gil Payongayong,
Terry Martin Marcacci, Roman Frantela,
Cyril Cooper, Vera Siri

Sick or remembrances will be listed for a period of 3 months

End-of-Year Contributions

Many individuals will make charitable contributions late in the calendar year to take advantage of tax benefits. If you are in the position to make end-of-year contributions, please consider St. Dominic’s as a beneficiary of your support. In order to do so, checks must be dated and envelopes postmarked on or before December 31, 2019.

GIFTS OF SECURITIES

The Catholic Foundation of the Diocese of Sacramento maintains a clearing account through which stock donations to St. Dominic’s can be accomplished electronically. Please contact Teresa Stone for the forms to direct your broker in this regard. Upon receipt of the donation, The Catholic Foundation will provide you, the donor, with the appropriate IRS form to evidence the value of the stock donation, and will arrange for the proceeds to be distributed in accordance with your expressed intent. The Catholic Foundation will notify St. Dominic’s of the details of your gift at the time the proceeds are distributed.

IRA CHARITABLE ROLLOVER

If you are 70 1/2 or older, rather than simply take an IRA withdrawal this year, you can direct your IRA administrator to distribute a gift from your IRA to our parish. Any amount you transfer counts against your required minimum distribution and you can direct up to $100,000 to your favorite causes this year. Please contact Teresa Stone at 707-335-4672 or tstone@stdombenicia.org.

Yr I & Yr II will meet in the Church on Tuesday, January 7 at 7:00 pm for Adoration. This gathering is for parent, sponsor, and teen candidate.

A big thank you to the parents and teens who have supported many different service projects over the past month. We appreciate your generosity and support not only at St. Dominic’s, but in the larger community as well.

Merry Christmas to all parish youth and their families. May the year ahead be filled with God’s blessings.
Please support the following businesses owned by members of our parish community. Their contributions each week underwrite our Parish Bulletin. Thank you!

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<td>(707) 750-3835, Tery or Shane Carnahan</td>
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<td>(707) 557-3781 / (707) 315-4652</td>
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<td>Amso Healthy Chiropractic</td>
<td>310 Military West (707) 752-2990</td>
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<td>(707) 745-6266, 874 Southampton Rd.</td>
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<td>LIC#32877 Residential/ Commercial (707) 747-6818</td>
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<td>George &amp; Carolyn Maichel (707) 642-2442, 2445 Springs Rd, Vallejo</td>
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<td>Wills/Trusts/Estate Planning/General Practice (707) 553-7360</td>
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<td>Shutters and More</td>
<td>Bill Simpson, Parishioner (707) 746-8187</td>
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<td>Rick Brown Construction</td>
<td>All Phases Home Remodel (707) 746-8596 or (707) 246-9975</td>
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<td>James M. McVeigh</td>
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<td>Copy, Print, Posters &amp; Banners (707) 647-1000, 812 Tennessee St, Vallejo</td>
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<td>725 Jefferson St, Fairfield, CA (707) 425-3393, M-F 10-4</td>
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<td>Landscaping, Maintenance &amp; Installation (707) 747-5273</td>
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EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

CURRENT NEEDS

TUESDAY 3:00 am
(Weekly or alternating weeks)
Call Euly Le Gro @ (707) 315-2338

TUESDAY 4:00 am
(4th week)
Call Ann Espinoza @ (707) 745-0640

WEDNESDAY 5:00 am
(Weekly or alternating weeks)
Call Dennis Hirth @ (707) 747-9609

WEDNESDAY 11:00 am
(Weekly or alternating weeks)
Call Diane Dawes @ (925) 963-5373

SATURDAY 7:00 pm
(Weekly or alternating weeks)
Call Antonia Gomez @ (707) 567-0658

SUNDAY 5:00 pm
(On rotation once every 5 weeks)
Call Rita Mendoza @ (707) 373-3413

Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration Hours:
Daily Hours: Open to the public 7:00 am – 8:00 pm in the Adoration Chapel
Scheduled Adorer Hours Only: 8:00 pm – 7:00 am in the Adoration Chapel
Parish-wide Eucharistic Adoration: Tuesdays 8:00-9:00 pm in the Church

If you have questions about Eucharistic Adoration, please contact Shirley Cortez @ (707) 208-2004 or Joji Holzwarth @ (707) 704-8779.
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St. Dominic's Parish Hall  Doors open at 6:00 PM
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